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For : PRISMATIC BATTERY MODULE AND METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING THE SAME

Response under 37 C.F.R. 1.116

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Group Art Unit: 1745

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Transmitted herewith is an **Amendment under 37 C.F.R. 1.116** in the above-captioned application.

\_\_\_\_\_ Small Entity Status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a previously filed statement.

\_\_\_\_\_ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

\_\_\_\_\_ A Request for Extension of Time.

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Sir:

In response to the Final Official Action of November 22, 2004, in which a three-month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on February 22, 2005, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections set forth in the above-mentioned Final Official Action in view of the herein contained remarks.

**Remarks** begin on page 2 of this paper.